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SAFETY ALERT

UNITS NOT FOLLOWING PROPER PROCEDURES AT FORT BRAGG FUEL POINTS

Units are using retail fueling pumps for bulk fueling. This process creates a recipe for a catastrophe accident.

During times when bulk fuel is not available soldiers are locking retail pump handles open, not wearing proper Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and not using proper grounding procedures while pumping bulk fuel using the retail pump. Hours are established at each of Fort Bragg's two fuel points allowing for proper manning and control measures during the pumping of bulk fuel. Bulk fuel draws require 2 soldiers and one contractor to be present at all times. This allows constant monitoring to prevent fuel spills, ensures proper grounding and having a contractor present during bulk draws ensures soldiers are following proper procedures. Top loading of vehicles is authorized only during an emergency or when authorized by the Installation Commander.

Soldiers have also been seen backing Army Motor Vehicles (AMV) at these fuel points without the use of proper ground guides. These procedures could cause a driver to accidentally back over a fuel point causing a catastrophe fire/explosion injuring or killing personnel.

BE SAFE!

XVIII Airborne Corps and Fort Bragg Regulation 385-4 and FM 10-67-1, Chapter 2 outline procedures for POL Safety Guidelines.